Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Master Sergeant Douglas D. Brandsrud's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Master Sergeant Brandsrud has devoted more than 27 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a Soldier and a leader, and has deployed three times for Operation Desert Storm in Saudi Arabia, Operation Iraqi Freedom in Iraq, and Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Master Sergeant Brandsrud continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Master Sergeant Douglas D. Brandsrud for more than 27 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 7, 2011, as

MASTER SERGEANT DOUGLAS D. BRANDSRUD DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason Gant

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State